



# ONCE UPON A TIME...

The Student League  
for  
Industrial Democracy

...in the good old days, we are told, college students lived in a world all their own, detached from the struggling community and the hectic world all about them. They went their placid way thinking abstract thoughts and talking in theoretical terms about hypothetical situations.

But "them days are gone forever"!

Not only has the number of college students greatly increased, thanks in part to Uncle Sam's assistance, but the make-up of student bodies has also changed. Today campuses are crowded with students from "working class" families, students with wives and children, students with part-time or full-time work experience in industry, and, last but not least, students who have fought in various parts of the world and have observed many types of economic systems and forms of government.

Campus problems today are, in many respects, amazingly similar to those of the larger community. Inadequate housing, high living costs and tuition fees, overcrowded classrooms, racial and religious discrimination. These are among the problems with which our students are constantly faced.

Yes, times have changed! We live today in a world which demands that students continuously share in the making of decisions which may vitally affect their future and the future of the world. But what's to prevent this worldly-wise group from being lured back into the "Ivory Tower"?

## CAN EDUCATION WARD OFF WAR AND DEPRESSION???

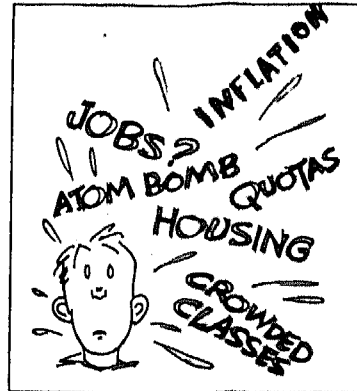
We in the Student League for Industrial Democracy believe that this generation of students should do their full part in solving the burning issues of the day and in bringing about a more democratic world. Therefore the S.L.I.D. is organizing on campuses throughout America to promote a program of EDUCATION and ACTION to achieve this goal.



### WHAT WE ARE

The Student L.I.D. is the student division of the League for Industrial Democracy, one of America's outstanding educational organizations devoted to the task, as John Dewey, Honorary President states, of making democracy "a living reality in every aspect of our common life." Members and former student members of the L.I.D. have played and are now playing a role of great significance in the economic, political and social life of our nation.

The League publishes pamphlets, conducts research, schedules lectures,



organizes chapters, holds conferences, promotes radio broadcasts and educates for constructive programs of social change.

#### WHAT WE BELIEVE

The Student League for Industrial Democracy and the general society are interested in the advancement of

*industrial democracy*, through the strengthening of democratic co-operative and trade union organizations, the public ownership of public utilities and natural resources, and the enactment of legislation in behalf of economic security, higher living standards and the more equitable distribution of the fruits of industry; in the advancement of *political democracy*, through the extension of civil liberties, the democratic realignment of political forces, and the improvement and democratization of our governmental structure; and in the advancement of *cultural democracy*, through the elimination of racial and religious discrimination, the development of a democratic education for citizenship, and the substitution of the service motive for the profit and power motives in our economic and political life.

The S.L.I.D. and the L.I.D. likewise give much attention to the promotion of the forces dedicated to a free and peaceful world.

Our aim is not to make converts to any "ism" or political party or candidates, but to promote among students an intelligent understanding of the social issues of the day; to strengthen their belief in democracy as a means and as an end and their opposition to the totalitarian way of life, and to inspire them to do their full share in the building of a better and more democratic America and a free and peaceful world.

#### ACTIVITIES OF CHAPTERS

During the last years, S.L.I.D. chapters sponsored meetings on housing and health programs; extension of social insurance; federal aid to education; democracy on the campus; college cooperatives; new political alignments; Jim Crowism; nationalization of mines; conservation of natural resources; the social meaning of TVA; new industrial incentives; labor-management cooperation; the Taft-Hartley Act; labor unity; techniques of democratic planning; the cause and cure of inflation, poverty, industrial wastes, depression, dictatorship and war; compulsory universal military training; the Marshall Plan; the control and peaceful uses of atomic energy; types of world government; labor and social democratic governments at work; civil liberties under capitalism, socialism and communism.

The groups hold intimate, round table discussions, and large public meetings and conferences addressed by experts in their respective fields. They prepare and distribute literature, organize exhibits on such subjects as housing, cooperatives, labor union activities, city planning, race discrimination, the United Nations, etc.; arrange trips to legislatures, factories, labor unions, employer associations, cooperatives, political party headquarters, old and new housing developments, and significant social agencies. They participate in various constructive democratic movements for improved conditions on the campus, in their particular localities and states, and in the nation and the world-at-large. The S.L.I.D. is an educational body, as is its parent body, the L.I.D. It has no political affiliations.

#### MEMBERSHIP AND STUDENT CHAPTERS

Students in college and high school may join the S.L.I.D. by signing an application stating their genuine support of our purposes, and mailing in their annual dues of one dollar a year. Applicants receive notice of their acceptance as members.

College and high school chapters of the S.L.I.D. may be formed by ten or more members of the student body and of the faculty who support the League's objectives. Application blanks may be obtained from the national office of the S.L.I.D., 112 East 19 Street, New York 3, N.Y. Applications for charters should be accompanied by dues of one dollar each for each applicant. On approval, a charter is issued. Student members receive the League's valuable pamphlets, bulletins and announcements of student conferences. The S.L.I.D. assists chapters in obtaining speakers and puts them in contact with sources of information on subjects under consideration.



The S.L.I.D. holds an annual convention and numerous regional conferences. At this convention, reports of student activities are made, contemporary public problems are discussed, policy for the year is formulated and a National Executive Committee of the S.L.I.D. is elected.

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Student members receive pamphlets published by the League, the L.I.D. News Bulletin, issued quarterly, the S.L.I.D. Newsletter issued monthly, and notices of all important gatherings.

☐ I wish to become a member of the S.L.I.D. and enclose \$1 for yearly dues.

☐ I wish to help organize an S.L.I.D. chapter at \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please send me more information about the S.L.I.D.

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